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REPORT TAX PAYMENTS IN SOFIA OKRUG

NOTES PROGRESS -- Sofia, Izgrev, 22 Nov 50

At a conference held on 21 November 1950, the following report was issued by the chairmen of the finance departments of okoliya people's soviets and the responsible financial supervisors of the okoliya committees of the Bulgarian Communist Party for Sofia Okrug.

During the first 10 months of the yearly financial plan, 60 percent of tax arrears and other assessments have been collected, 80 percent of current taxes, and 42 percent of taxes for executive actions. The best progress in tax collecting for the last 3 months has been accomplished in Kyustendil, Radomir, Botevgrad, and other okoliyas of the Sofia Okrug, whereas others, such as Ikhtiman, Marek, rural Sofia, etc. are still behind with their payments.

Vice-Minister of Finance G. Manev emphasized that Local finance offices must coordinate their activities with the local party organizations, the Fatherland Front, and the people's soviets to speed up tax collection. The greatest attention must be given to the turnover tax and the general income tax. All passing on of taxes must be eliminated.

PEOPLE'S SOVIETS TO CONTROL INCOME TAX COLLECTION -- Sofia, Izgrev, 13 Dec 50

The assessments for the general income tax will be announced 15 February 1951. The supervision of the collection of the tax will be assumed by the okrug and okoliya people's soviets.

TRADE WITH WESTERN GERMANY DECREASES -- Basel, National Zeitung, 18 Dec 50

The prominent part taken before World War II by Germany in Bulgaria's foreign trade has considerably fallen off since the end of hostilities and is now a mere fraction of its former volume. In 1949, Bulgarian imports from Western Germany amounted to 2.2 million DM, whereas exports to Western Germany amounted to 10.7 million DM.

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